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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statements previously filed, Applicants hereby bring to the attention of the Examiner a European Office Action dated February 19, 2008 with respect to patent family member European Patent Application No. 01114358.3, in which the following documents were cited:

- (1) RUTLEDGE et al., "Generating Presentation Constraints from Rhetorical Structure," Internet [Online], May 30, 2000 – June 3, 2000, pages 19-32 [URL: <http://portal.acm.org/citation.cfm?id=336308>], XP001152270;
- (2) ROUSSEAU et al., "User adaptable multimedia presentations for the World Wide Web," Computer Networks and ISDN Systems, North Holland Publishing, Amsterdam, NL, vol. 31, 1999, pages 1273-1290, XP002927097;

- (3) RUTLEDGE et al., "Structural Distinctions Between Hypermedia Storage and Presentation," Proceedings of the ACM Multimedia 98, MM '98, Bristol, September 12-16, 1998, ACM International Conference, New York, NY, ACM, US, September 12, 1998, pages 145-150, XP000977499; and
- (4) "Synchronized Multimedia Integration Language (SMIL) 1.0 Specification," W3C Recommendation [Online], June 15, 1998 [URL: <http://www.w3.org/TR/1998/REC-smil-19980615/>], XP002934899.


The relevance of these documents, as ascertained with respect to the European claims by the European Examiner, is set forth in the European Office Action.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of above-noted documents are attached hereto, and are listed on an attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of the European Office Action is also attached hereto. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form, and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicants with the next official communication in the present application.

Since this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted subsequent to the issuance of a Final Rejection, Applicants have included herewith a check in the amount of \$180.00 to cover the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17 (p). Applicants furthermore certify that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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